NOTICE OF VIOLATION

California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act

Re: Lead In Jewelry June 23, 2006

This Notice of Violation is provided to you pursuant to and in compliance with California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.7(d).

- o For general information regarding the California Safe Drinking Water and Toxic Enforcement Act, see the attached summary provided by the California EPA (copies not provided to public enforcement agencies).
- This Notice of Violation is provided by the Center for Environmental Health, 528 61st Street, Suite A, Oakland, CA 94609, (510) 594-9864. The Center for Environmental Health is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to protecting the environment, improving human health and supporting environmentally sound practices. Michael Green is the Executive Director of and a responsible individual within the Center for Environmental Health.

Description of Violation:

- o The names and addresses of the violators are attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- The violations have been occurring since at least June 23, 2003 and are continuing to this day.
- This Notice of Violation covers the "warning provision" of Proposition 65, which is found at California Health and Safety Code Section 25249.6.
- The names of the listed chemicals involved in these violations are lead and lead compounds ("Lead"). Exposures to Lead occur from use of the products identified in this notice.
- The specific type of products causing these violations is jewelry. This jewelry is made of and contains Lead. A list of non-exclusive examples of this specific type of products is attached hereto as Exhibit 2.
- Description of Exposures: Use of the products identified in this notice results in human exposures to Lead. Lead is contained in both the metallic and non-metallic parts of the jewelry. For example, the non-metallic cords of bracelets and necklaces contain Lead, as does the pearl coating on imitation pearls and the metallic components such as beads, pendants, clasps, posts and other components of the jewelry contain Lead. The route of exposure for the violations is direct ingestion when consumers place the products in their mouths, ingestion via hand to mouth contact after consumers touch or handle the products, and dermal absorption directly through the skin when consumers touch, handle, or wear the products. These exposures occur in homes, workplaces and everywhere else throughout California where these products are worn or handled. No clear and reasonable warning is provided with these products regarding the carcinogenic or reproductive hazards of Lead.

Please direct any inquiries regarding this notice to counsel for the Center for Environmental Health: Eric Somers, Lexington Law Group, LLP, 1627 Irving Street, San Francisco, CA 94122, (415) 759-4111.

Exhibit 1: List of Violators

99¢ Only Stores 4000 Union Pacific Ave. Commerce, CA 90023

Aldo US, Inc. 844 Market Street San Francisco, CA 94102

Beverly Fabrics, Inc. 9019 Soquel Drive, Ste. 175 Aptos, CA 95003

Home Shopping Network, Inc. 1 HSN Drive Saint Petersburg, FL 33716

J. Dew Collection, Inc. 123 S. Figueroa Street #943 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Jimmy Z Surf Co., Inc. 112 West 34th Street, 22nd Floor New York, NY 10120

Long Rap, Inc. 1420 Wisconsin Avenue, N.W. Washington, DC 20007

Shop At Home, LLC 5388 Hickory Hollow Antioch, TN 37013-3128

Shop At Home Network, LLC 5388 Hickory Hollow Antioch, TN 37013-3128

Payless Shoesource, Inc. 3231 SE Sixth Street Topeka, KS 66607-2207

Value Vision Media, Inc. 6740 Shady Oak Road Eden Prairie, MN 55344

EXHIBIT 2: Non-Exclusive Examples of the Products

Responsible Parties	Non-Exclusive Examples of the Products	Item or SKU # or Further Description
99¢ Only Stores	2 strand pearl bracelet w/metal clasp	N/A
Aldo U.S., Inc.	Leather necklace with square metal and leather pendant	Retailer SKU - 61114511
Beverly Fabrics, Inc.	Off-white magnetic pearl beads - 4 mm Lot No 4849200589	Retailer SKU - 17197163
Shop At Home, LLC; Shop At Home Network, LLC	Pearlfection triple strand pearl bracelet	Retailer SKU - 30038072
Home Shopping Network, Inc.	Granziano Simulated Pearl/gold necklace Other Bar Code - RL932836195	Retailer SKU - 493684092
J. Dew Collection, Inc.	J. Dew Blue gemstone/metal wide bracelet	Retailer SKU - 289
Jimmy Z Surf Co., Inc	Leather bracelet w/ indian head coin pendant Style # 5906	Retailer SKU - 96012323
Long Rap, Inc.	Dangling silver earrings Lot No 2297050101	Retailer SKU - 229705
Payless Shoesource, Inc	Pearl earrings studs	Retailer SKU - 0495520137
Value Vision Media, Inc.	Nancy Nelson collection pearl dangle earrings	SKU - J157617-04501-00000

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT

Health & Safety Code §25249.7(d)

I. Eric S. Somers, hereby declare:

- 1. This Certificate of Merit accompanies the attached sixty-day notice in which it is alleged that the parties identified in the notice have violated Health & Safety Code §25249.6 by failing to provide clear and reasonable warnings.
- 2. I am an attorney with the Lexington Law Group, LLP, and I represent the noticing party, the Center for Environmental Health ("CEH").
- 3. Members of my firm and I have consulted with one or more persons with relevant and appropriate experience or expertise who has reviewed facts, studies or other data regarding the exposures to the listed chemical that is the subject of the action.
- 4. Based on the information obtained through those consultations, and on other information in my possession, I believe there is a reasonable and meritorious case for the private action. I understand that "reasonable and meritorious case for the private action" means that the information provides a credible basis that all elements of the plaintiff's case can be established and the information did not prove that the alleged violators will be able to establish any of the affirmative defenses set forth in the statute.
- 5. The copy of the Certificate of Merit served on the Attorney General attaches to it factual information sufficient to establish the basis for this certificate, including the information identified in Health & Safety Code §25249.7(h)(2), i.e. (1) the identity of the persons consulted

with and relied on by the certifier, and (2) the facts, studies or other data reviewed by those

persons.

Dated: June <u>ZZ</u>, 2006

Eric S. Somers

Attorney for CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL

I declare that:

I am employed in San Francisco County, California. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within cause; my business address is 1627 Irving Street, San Francisco, California 94122.

On June 23, 2006, I served true copies of the following documents:

NOTICE OF VIOLATION OF CALIFORNIA SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT;

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT; and

THE SAFE DRINKING WATER AND TOXIC ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1986 (PROPOSITION 65): A SUMMARY (only sent to those on service list marked with an asterisks).

I placed a true copy of this paper in an envelope addressed to:

See Attached Service List.

I am readily familiar with my firm's practice for collection and processing of correspondence for mailing with the United States Postal Service, to wit, that correspondence will be deposited with the United States Postal Service this same day in the ordinary course of business. I placed the envelope containing the above-mentioned documents for collection and mailing on June 23, 2006, following the ordinary business practice.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct, and that this declaration was executed on June 23, 2006, at San Francisco, California.

Signed:

Angela Walker

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